EXECUTIVE ORDER 2003-11
(*Supersedes Executive Order 2002-08*)

THE STATE OF ARIZONA TELEWORK PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the ozone pollution created by cars has serious health effects, particularly on children, the elderly and those suffering from asthma and other respiratory diseases; and

WHEREAS, the 1988 Air Quality Bill requires the State of Arizona, as a large employer, to reduce employee work trips in order to decrease air pollution; and

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona Telework Program has been recognized internationally as a model and resource for other employers by demonstrating that telework reduces air pollution and gasoline consumption, increases employee productivity and morale, and can reduce employee turnover, and attract qualified new employees to State service; and

WHEREAS, The State of Arizona Telework Program has achieved the previous goal set by Operation Ozone in 1996, which mandated that all State agencies, boards and commissions implement the State of Arizona Telework Program with the goal of having fifteen percent of State employees in Maricopa County actively participating.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Janet Napolitano, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the State of Arizona, do hereby advance the State's telework mandate that every State agency, board and commission will implement the State of Arizona Telework Program with the goal of achieving a twenty percent active participation rate among State employees in Maricopa County. Additionally, State telecommuters will be asked to work from home or a remote location close to home during all High Pollution Advisories to reduce the number of State employees commuting on these days.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona.

GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix this 20th day of March in the Year Two Thousand and Three and of the Independence of the United States of American the Two Hundred and Twenty-Seventh.

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE